Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman House Appropriations Committee H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$3,000,000 in funding for the Emergency Shelter and Transitional Housing for Homeless Veterans project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Santa Clara County, located at 70 West Hedding Street, San Jose, CA 95110.

The funding would be used for acquiring a privately-owned, 4.26-acre property. The property is leased by a non-profit organization to provide emergency shelter, transitional housing, and supportive services to approximately 125 homeless and unstably housed veterans on any given night. The County's acquisition preserves the property for this continued use. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it supports community development consistent with federally authorized programs.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(4).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Ro Khanna

Member of Congress